Introduced by Senator Bowen

February 24, 2006

An act to amend Section 2897 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to telecommunications. An act relating to organ, tissue, and bone marrow donors programs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1822, as amended, Bowen. Telecommunication services. *Organ, tissue, and bone marrow donor programs: task force.*

Existing law, the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, establishes general requirements and procedures for the donation of body parts, including organs and tissue.

This bill would establish a task force, comprised of representatives appointed by the Governor from specified state agencies and private entities, to analyze the state's education and recruitment efforts in connection with organ, tissue, and bone marrow programs and to make recommendations on how the state can overcome existing barriers to increasing participation in these programs.

The Telecommunications Customer Service Act of 1993 requires the Public Utilities Commission, consistent with other provisions of the Public Utilities Code, orders, rules, and applicable tariffs of telecommunications service providers, to apply the policies of the act to all providers of telecommunications services in this state.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes in that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Governor shall appoint a task force, 2 comprised of representatives from the State Department of Health Services, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the State 3 4 Department of Social Services, Donate Life California, and the National Bone Marrow Donor Program, that shall analyze the state's current efforts to educate and recruit individuals to 6 become organ, tissue, or bone marrow donors. The task force 8 shall report its findings and recommendations on these efforts, including how best to overcome cultural, religious, social, and 10 economic barriers to increase participation in these programs to 11 the Legislature.

SECTION 1. Section 2897 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

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2897. Consistent with other provisions of this code, orders, rules, and applicable tariffs of telecommunications service providers, the commission shall apply the policies of this article to all providers of telecommunications services in this state. These policies are not exclusive and may be supplemented by the commission.